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For the year ended 31st December, 1952.

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Town Hall,

CROMPTON.

Lancashire.

September, 1953.

To the Chairman and Members of the Council.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I present to you my Annual Report on the health of the District for the year 1952.

The birth rate showed a decline to its lowest level since 1938, but of the babies born only three died before their first birthday. Unfortunately, to offset this satisfactory infant mortality rate, nine infants were stillborn.

An analysis of the death rate shows that apart from the three infant deaths, all deaths occurred over the age of 20 years and of these the greatest number were over 65 years. As compared with last year there was a marked drop in the number of deaths from cancer and from respiratory causes.

I wish to express my thanks to the Chairman and members of the Health Committee for their support and to Mr. Taylor and Mr. Wrigley for their continual ready assistance, and to all my Officer colleagues for their co-operation.

Yours faithfully,

H. TAYLOR.

Medical Officer of Health.

STATISTICS OF THE AREA.

POPULATION.

The Registrar-General gives the estimated population of Crompton for mid-year, 1952 as 12,650 which shows an increase of 70 over the 1951 figure of 12,560.

BIRTHS.

During the year, the decline in the number of births continued, there being 148 live births as against 166 in the previous year. This gives a birth rate of 11.7 which, as shown in Table II is the lowest since 1938.

DEATHS.

The chief causes of death are shewn in Table III, Appendix A. The total number of deaths in 1952 was 185 giving a death rate of 14.6 per 1,000 of population. All forms of cancer caused 24 deaths.

MATERNAL MORTALITY.

There were no maternal deaths associated with childbirth during 1952.

INFANT MORTALITY AND STILL BIRTHS.

In 1952 there were 3 infant deaths giving an infant mortality rate of 20 per 1,000 live births, as compared with 27.6 for England and Wales and 25.8 for the 160 smaller towns. Of the 3 infants who died under one year of age, two died during the first month, giving a neo-natal mortality rate of 13.5 per 1,000 live births.

Still births during the year totalled 9 representing a rate of 57 per 1,000 total births. The combined still birth and neo-natal mortality rate is 57.3 per 1,000.

Of the two neo-natal deaths, one died 13 hours after birth due to prematurity and one died at the third day due to cardiac respiratory failure. The third infant death was due to pneumonia in a four month old child.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

### NOTIFICATIONS OF BIRTHS.

Under Section 203 of the Public Health Act, 1936, 148 live births and 9 stillbirths were notified.

### MATERNITY SERVICE.

#### Midwifery.

The domiciliary midwifery service is supervised in Crompton by the Lancashire County Council, who employ two full-time midwives in the area.

#### Ante-Natal Service.

An Ante-Natal Clinic is held at the East Crompton Church Institute, St. James's Street, Shaw, on the first and third Wednesdays in each month from 2-0 p.m. to 4-0 p.m.

#### Post-Natal Clinics.

A post-natal clinic is held at the East Crompton Church Institute on the first and third Wednesdays in each month from 2-0 p.m. to 4-0 p.m.

These services are under the jurisdiction of the Lancashire County Council.

### INFANT WELFARE SERVICES.

Two welfare sessions are held weekly on Tuesday (Consultation) and Friday from 2-0 p.m. to 4-0 p.m. at the East Crompton Church Institute. Children are referred from these clinics to the Orthopaedic, Ophthalmic and Dental Clinics as required.

### DAY NURSERIES.

There is now one day nursery with a 50 place accommodation which is the responsibility of the Lancashire County Council. In the district there are a further 4 nurseries attached to various cotton mills, providing accommodation for 223 children.

### AMBULANCE SERVICE.

The ambulance service is provided under an agency agreement by the Oldham Corporation and is the financial responsibility of the Lancashire County Council.

### HOME HELP SERVICE.

This is administered by the Divisional Health Committee. There is a Home Help Organiser whose duties are to co-ordinate the supply and demand of Home Helps throughout the Division.

### HOME NURSING.

This is the responsibility of the Lancashire County Council and is organised by the Divisional Health Committee. There are two full-time District Nurses seconded to Crompton and their services may be obtained at the request of a General Practitioner.



## HOSPITAL AND CLINIC FACILITIES.

Facilities for general, medical, surgical and obstetrical treatment are available at the Oldham Royal Infirmary and Boundary Park General Hospital, Oldham.

The treatment centres for venereal diseases are:-  
Boundary Park General Hospital, Oldham (Telephone MAIn 3251):  
The District Infirmary, Ashton (Telephone ASH 1611): The  
Municipal Clinic, 20, Baillie Street, Rochdale (Telephone  
Rochdale 47474).

A tuberculosis clinic is held at the Brook Street Chest Clinic, Chadderton, where all chest conditions can be diagnosed and arrangements made for treatment. This clinic is held on Monday afternoon and Wednesday morning, (Telephone MAIn 1671).

Laboratory facilities are available at the Public Health Laboratory, Monsall, Manchester, and at the Oldham Royal Infirmary and Boundary Park General Hospital, Oldham.

The Divisional Health Office is at "Tylon", Middleton Road, Chadderton, (Telephone MAIn 6251), where all information regarding personal Health Services may be obtained.

# PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

## NOTIFICATIONS.

A summary of the various infectious diseases notified during 1952 is given below:-

Notifiable Disease	Number of cases notified												Total Cases removed to Hospital	Deaths in Hospital of Patients removed from this District.	
	At all Ages	At Ages - Years													
		Under 1	1 to 2	2 to 3	3 to 4	4 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 35	35 to 45	45 to 65			65 upwards
Scarlet Fever.....	56	-	-	1	3	6	22	19	1	1	3	-	-	26	-
Measles.....	137	2	13	18	29	18	56	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
Erysipelas.....	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-
Pneumonia.....	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Whooping Cough.....	50	1	8	11	11	5	14	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Dysentery.....	13	1	2	3	-	1	4	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Food Poisoning.....	6	-	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	2	-	-	1	-
Puerperal Pyrexia.....	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis, Pulmonary.....	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	3	-	-	-
Tuberculosis, Non-Pulmonary.....	5	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	-	1	-	-	-
Totals.....	280	4	24	33	43	31	98	20	3	8	7	9	-	28	-

## Scarlet Fever.

56 notifications of scarlet fever were received as against 18 in 1951. The cases were spread over the whole year, notifications being received in every month except December, and most of the cases were of an extremely mild nature.

## Measles.

Measles, although prevalent during the whole year, was mainly confined to the last three months of 1952. Of the 137 notifications received, 120 were in October, November and December.

## Erysipelas.

Three cases occurred in 1952 being the same number as in 1951. All three cases were nursed at home.

## Pneumonia.

During 1952 only one case was notified compared with six in 1951. The number of cases notified is probably not an accurate guide to the prevalence of pneumonia.

## Whooping Cough.

During the year there were 50 cases all of which were nursed at home. The number of notifications during 1951 was 47.

### Dysentery.

There were 13 cases of dysentery, 7 of which were children under the age of five years. The cases which were treated by their own medical practitioners and subsequently recovered were of the *Shigella Sonnei* type.

### Diphtheria.

As was stated in a previous report, simply because once again, no case occurred during the year, reference to this disease cannot and should not be omitted. It is a matter for congratulations that the district has remained free from infection, but there must be no relaxation in the fight against it. All parents must realise that a high proportion of immunised children is our only safeguard, hence every device must be used to ensure that no infant is refused immunisation because of ignorance or apathy on the part of the parents.

### Tuberculosis.

This year shows a decrease in the number of cases notified, there being 7 cases of pulmonary tuberculosis as against 12 in 1951. Non-pulmonary notifications show an increase, there being 5 in 1952 as against 2 in 1951.

During the year four deaths occurred, three of which were due to pulmonary tuberculosis.

Particulars of new notifications and deaths from tuberculosis are given in Table V, Appendix B.

The total number of tuberculous persons on the register of the district at December, 1952, was 59, comprising 43 pulmonary and 16 non-pulmonary.

### LABORATORY WORK.

During the year the under-mentioned specimens were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory at Monsall Hospital, Manchester, with the following results :-

	Positive	Negative	Total
Faeces, Dysentery .....	51	106	157
Faeces, Food Poisoning .....	10	18	28
Throat Swabs, Diphtheria .....	-	4	4
Throat Swabs, other .....	-	1	1



Public Health Department,  
Town Hall,  
SHAW,

To the Medical Officer of Health,  
Sir,

I have the honour to submit to you my Annual Report upon the work relating to the Sanitary circumstances of the District and the progress made during the year 1952.

As in 1951, supervision over Food Shops and Food Handlers has occupied a considerable amount of time. It is gratifying to report that the standard of equipment and cleanliness previously achieved has been maintained, and generally speaking, shopkeepers are becoming more hygienic minded. The display notices regarding Dogs in Food Shops were wholeheartedly accepted by the shop-keepers and were placed in prominent positions in the shops. It is very noticeable that these notices, to a very marked degree, have had the desired effect.

No great changes in the Sanitary circumstances occurred during the year, and the various activities of the department are commented upon under the appropriate headings in the Report.

I take this opportunity of expressing my thanks to you for your generous assistance, to the Members of the Health Committee for their continuous support and to the Officials for helpful co-operation.

Yours respectfully,

FRANK TAYLOR.

Sanitary Inspector.



ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.  
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(A) SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

Water Supply.

Crompton enjoys a supply that is wholly sufficient and excellent in quality provided by the Oldham Corporation. The supply is chlorinated and no samples were taken of the mains supply as this is done regularly by the undertaking. Approximately 105 dwellinghouses in remote and isolated parts of the district have a supply of water derived from springs and wells.

Rivers and Streams.

The Mersey Rivers Board is the controlling authority for the streams in the district and its inspector makes a regular survey of the area. During the year effluent from a laundry was found to be polluting the river. Alterations to the drainage were carried out which prevented any further pollution.

Public Cleansing.

Refuse is collected from 4475 dustbins at 4607 premises, and it is transported by two 7 cu. yard vehicles each manned by a driver and three labourers. In addition, a third motor manned by a driver and two labourers is employed on one day per week, collecting household refuse from the remote and scattered premises of the district. During the year 2943 loads of household refuse were disposed of either by incineration or tipping. The plant at the destructor comprises three cells made by Dawson & Mansfield, and Baling Presses for reducing the bulk of tins, scrap iron, paper, etc., are in use.

A Salvage Scheme has been in operation since 1940 and during the year Salvage was collected and disposed of as per the following statement:-

	Collected 1952.			Value.		
	Tons	Cwts.	Lbs.	£.	S.	D.
Mixed paper etc.....	37	16	-	404	1	0
Baled Scrap tins.....	4	15	-	20	0	2
Ferrous Metal.....	-	19	-	4	5	6
Kitchen Waste.....	52	4	56	167	0	1
1952 Total.....	95	14	56	595	6	9
1951 Total.....	132	9	94	1114	19	7

### Closet Accommodation.

During the year 13 waste water closets were converted to fresh water closets. The Council's workmen cleared 13 waste water closets and 8 fresh water closets of blockages. Sixteen blocked slop-gullies and drains reported during the year were also cleared by the Council workmen.

Details of the number and type of all closets in the District are given in Table VII, Appendix C.

### Atmospheric Pollution.

The boiler installations in the District are summarised below.

<u>Nature of Industry.</u>	<u>No. of Chimneys.</u>
Public Utility Undertakings:	
Destructor . . . . .	1
Baths . . . . .	1
Textile Factories, Power . . . . .	15
Textile Factories, Heating . . . . .	5
General Manufacturing, Power . . . . .	5
General Manufacturing, Heating . . . . .	2

Pollution by smoke still continues to be a problem of some importance in this industrial area. Forty five smoke observations were taken during the year and in several instances excessive smoke emissions were observed. In these cases personal contact was made with the management or the engineer in charge.

### Rodent Control.

In accordance with the recommendations of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, two sewer treatments were carried out during the year. In March all manholes were treated but in October a ten per cent test bait was carried out and subsequently treated in accordance with the instructions of the Ministry.

The following table shows the degree of infestation found to exist :-

	<u>March.</u>	<u>October.</u>
Number of Manholes baited	517	109
Number showing pre-bait take	53	56
Number showing complete pre-bait take	11	18

One trained operative was employed part-time throughout the year. Details of inspections and work carried out under the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949 are given in Table IX.

### Swimming Baths.

During the year 12,533 school children attended the baths. Ten children qualified for intermediate swimming Certificates and 6 children for Advanced Swimming Certificates.

The water in the swimming bath is treated by a constant process of filtration, chlorination and aeration.



Factories Acts, 1937 and 1948.

The general conditions as regards sanitary accommodation in factories is satisfactory. Most of the cotton mills have sanitary accommodation far in excess of the legal requirements and the tendency is to site further conveniences at points more easily accessible to the department concerned.

Table VIII, Appendix C, gives a detailed list of factories in Crompton together with the number of inspections made and other details relating to the administration of the Acts for 1952.

Sanitary Inspection of the Area.

It is gratifying to state that during the year many owners carried out repairs to their property without any action whatsoever being taken by this department.

Another notable feature is that an appreciable number of occupiers are purchasing the houses they live in, thus becoming owners. This has a tendency to bring individual houses up to a standard above the normal tenanted house, therefore reducing the number of complaints.

The detailed statement in Table VI, Appendix C, shows the number and nature of inspections made during the year together with details of action taken and the nature of the defects remedied.

(B) HOUSING.

Due to present restrictions the building of sufficient new houses goes on but slowly and the housing problem is still acute. The policy of trying to keep old and worn-out houses somewhat weather proof is only a make shift as the repairs done are totally inadequate to render such houses reasonably fit for occupation.

The Council have erected 16 houses at the Lower Rushcroft Estate during 1952, bringing the total number of post-war houses erected to 200. A further 17 houses were erected by private enterprise.

The total number of houses erected since the survey of 1919 is as follows :-

By the Council (Housing Act, 1919)	80
,, (Housing Act, 1924)	206
,, (Housing Act, 1936)	185
,, Post-War Housing	200
	<hr/>
	671
By private enterprise	307
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	978
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(C) INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Milk Supply.

The following Acts and Regulations are now operative :-

Food and Drugs (Milk and Dairies) Act, 1944.  
Milk (Special Designations) Act, 1949.  
Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949.  
Milk (Special Designations)(Pasteurised and Sterilised) Regulations, 1949.  
Milk (Special Designations)(Raw Milk) Regulations, 1949.

Under these Acts and Regulations the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries is responsible for the farms and the milk production. The District Council is only concerned with the registration of Milk Distributors, Dairies and Milk Shops.

During the year 12 samples of raw milk were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for bacteriological examination with results as follows :-

Methylene Blue	11 Satisfactory.	1 Unsatisfactory.
Tuberculosis	11 Negative.	1 Positive.

With reference to the above positive Tuberculous sample. No Order was made under Regulation 20 of the Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949, as the sample was obtained within the District from a farmer whose premises are in an adjacent district. The Authority concerned was notified and the Medical Officer of Health of that Authority served an Order for heat treatment.

Result of Ministry investigations within the District during the year arising from notifications by the Local Authority

Number of Veterinary inspections	Nil
Number of cases where animals seized under the Tuberculosis Order, 1938.	Nil
Number of animals seized	Nil
Number of cases reported negative where animals had been sold prior to investigation	Nil
Number of cases reported negative, no animals seized	Nil

The details of registrations and licences issued in accordance with the regulations will be found in Table XI  
Page 27.



### Food Hygiene.

Vigorous action has been maintained throughout the year under Section 13 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1938, and under the Model Bye-Laws.

During the year 8 Notices were served upon occupiers of food premises to carry out certain improvements and alterations to facilitate the hygienic preparation and handling of food. All of these notices were complied with and the following summary shows the amount of improvements carried out.

Provision of New Geysers for Hot water	2
Provision of separate towels	2
Provision of nail brushes	2
Provision of showcases and food covers	2
Cleanliness and internal decoration	7
Structural alterations	2

All food premises in the area now have a supply of hot and cold water and other washing facilities.

503 visits were paid to all food premises in the District.

### Meat and Other Foods Inspection.

The licences of seven slaughterhouses were renewed during the year, although none of them are in use, due to the Ministry of Food controlled slaughterhouse being the main supply of meat retailed in this area.

498 visits were paid to meat shops and slaughterhouses during the year.

The type and quantity of foods inspected and found unfit for human consumption are shown in Table XII. Appendix C.

### Food and Drugs Act, 1938. Sampling.

Under the provisions of this Act, sampling is undertaken by the Lancashire County Council with the co-operation of the Local Authority's Sanitary Inspector. Details of the work done in 1952 are given in Table XIII Appendix C, and the results of analyses have been supplied by the County Medical Officer of Health.



VITAL STATISTICS OF THE WHOLE DISTRICT DURING  
1952 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

TABLE II.

Year  1	Population estimated to Middle of each year	Births		Total Deaths registered in the District		Deaths		Transferrable			
		Nett		Number	Rate	Of Non-residents registered in the District	Of residents not registered in the District	Nett Deaths belonging to the District			
		Number	Rate					Under 1 year of age		At all Ages	
								Number	Rate per 1,000 Nett Births	Number	Rate
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
1932	14700	183	12.4	116	7.9	1	69	14	76	184	12.5
1933	14560	162	11.1	126	8.6	3	80	10	61	203	13.9
1934	14230	159	11.1	108	7.6	-	68	12	75	176	12.3
1935	14060	157	11.1	134	9.5	-	79	8	50	213	15.1
1936	13780	157	11.3	144	10.5	3	67	7	41	208	15.0
1937	13430	168	12.5	134	9.9	3	78	11	71	209	15.5
1938	13360	128	9.5	94	7.0	-	75	10	78	169	12.6
1939	13140	173	13.1	124	9.5	2	71	11	63	193	14.7
	13150										
1940	12170	157	12.5	128	10.3	5	96	9	56	219	17.5
1941	12300	167	13.5	98	7.9	1	88	10	59	185	15.0
1942	11910	198	16.6	86	7.2	-	73	11	55	159	13.3
1943	11720	199	16.9	92	7.8	2	73	10	50	163	13.9
1944	11850	231	18.4	101	8.5	2	68	10	43	167	14.0
1945	11840	181	15.2	115	9.7	3	80	11	60	192	16.2
1946	12420	229	19.4	97	7.8	4	69	12	52	162	13.0
1947	12530	281	22.4	103	8.3	2	68	9	32	169	13.4
1948	12620	202	16.0	105	8.3	3	77	12	59	182	14.4
1949	12610	209	16.6	114	9.04	3	72	12	48	186	14.0
1950	12560	185	14.7	113	9.00	6	88	4	22	201	16.0
1951	12560	166	13.2	147	11.7	3	60	5	30	207	16.5
1952	12630	148	11.7	110	8.7	1	76	3	20	185	14.6

' Birth Rate

" Death Rate



TABLE III.

## CAUSES OF AND AGES AT DEATH DURING THE YEAR 1952.

Nett deaths at the subjoined ages of "Residents" whether occuring within or without the District																
Causes of death	Years	0 - 1	1 - 2	2 - 3	3 - 4	4 - 5	5 - 10	10 - 15	15 - 20	20 - 35	35 - 45	45 - 65	65 & upwards	Males	Females	Total
		0	1	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	35	45				
ALL CAUSES.....																
1 Tuberculosis, Respiratory.....												2		2	1	3
2 Tuberculosis, Other.....										1				1		1
3 Syphilitic Disease.....												2		2		2
4 Diphtheria.....																
5 Whooping Cough.....																
6 Meningococcal Infections..																
7 Acute Poliomyelitis.....																
8 Measles.....																
9 Other infective and Parasitic Diseases.....																
10 Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach.....												1	2	2	1	3
11 " " Lung, Bronchus..												2	1	2	1	3
12 " " Breast.....													4		4	4
13 " " Uterus.....																
14 Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms.....											1	4	9	9	5	14
15 Leukaemia, Aleukaemia.....																
16 Diabetes.....																
17 Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System.....	1											5	27	14	19	33
18 Coronary Disease, Angina..											1	5	14	10	10	20
19 Hypertension with Heart Disease.....												1	2	1	2	3
20 Other Heart Disease.....											1	11	20	18	14	32
21 Other Circulatory Disease..												6	6	7	5	12
22 Influenza.....																
23 Pneumonia.....	1											2	9	8	4	12
24 Bronchitis.....												2	11	7	6	13
25 Other Diseases of Respiratory System.....																
26 Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum.....												2		1	1	2
27 Gastritis, Enteritis, Diarrhoea.....														1		1
28 Nephritis and Nephrosis..													1	1		1
29 Hyperplasia of Prostate..												1	2	3		3
30 Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion.....																
31 Congenital Malformations..															1	1
32 Other Defined and Ill-defined Causes.....												2	14	5	11	16
33 Motor Vehicle Accidents..																
34 All Other Accidents.....										1		1	1	2	1	3
35 Suicide.....										1	2			1	2	3
36 Homicide and Operations of War.....																
	3								4	6	49	123	97	88	185	



TABLE IV.

QUINQUENNIAL BIRTH AND DEATH RATES PER 1,000  
OF POPULATION.

	Birth Rate	Death Rate	Death Rate from Tubercul- osis of Respirat- ory System	Rate of Deaths under 1 year to 1,000 Births
Mean of 5 years				
1928 - 1932.. .. .	12.8	13.1	0.58	70
1929 - 1933.. .. .	12.4	13.6	0.53	69
1930 - 1934.. .. .	11.8	12.9	0.51	59
1931 - 1935.. .. .	11.8	13.2	0.53	62
1932 - 1936.. .. .	11.4	13.7	0.52	61
1933 - 1937.. .. .	11.4	14.3	0.51	60
1934 - 1938.. .. .	11.1	14.1	0.50	63
1935 - 1939.. .. .	11.5	14.5	0.49	61
1936 - 1940.. .. .	11.7	15.0	0.44	62
1937 - 1941.. .. .	12.2	15.0	0.44	65
1938 - 1942.. .. .	13.0	14.6	0.37	62
1939 - 1943.. .. .	14.5	14.8	0.42	56
1940 - 1944.. .. .	15.7	14.7	0.39	52
1941 - 1945.. .. .	16.3	14.4	0.38	53
1942 - 1946.. .. .	17.3	14.0	0.34	52
1943 - 1947.. .. .	18.4	14.1	0.31	47
1944 - 1948.. .. .	18.3	14.2	0.29	48
1945 - 1949.. .. .	17.8	14.4	0.26	48
1946 - 1950.. .. .	17.6	14.3	0.25	42
1947 - 1951.. .. .	16.6	14.9	0.25	38
Year				
1951.. .. .	13.2	16.5	0.32	30
1952.. .. .	11.7	14.6	0.24	20
Increase or decrease in 1952 on				
Mean of 5 years 1947 - 1951 .. .. .	-4.9	-0.3	-0.01	-18
Previous year .. .. .	-1.5	-1.9	-0.08	-10

	Annual Rate per 1,000 Living		Deaths under 1 year to 1,000 Births
England and Wales, 1952 .. .. .	15.3	11.3	27.6
Crompton .. .. .	11.7	14.6	20

APPENDIX B.

TABLE V,

CASES NOTIFIED AND DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS DURING 1952.

Age	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0-1.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1-5.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-10.....	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
10-15...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-20...	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
20-25...	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
25-35...	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	-
35-45...	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
45-55...	3	-	-	1	1	1	-	-
55-65...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	4	3	2	3	2	1	1	-

APPENDIX C.  
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.

(A) SANITARY INSPECTION.

TABLE VI.

No. of Premises inspected on complaint etc. . . . .	110
" Inspections of Factories . . . . .	20
" " Bakehouses . . . . .	42
" " Slaughter-houses . . . . .	5
" " Meat Shops . . . . .	493
" " Fish, Fruit and Vegetables . . . . .	181
" " Ice Cream Shops . . . . .	43
" " Chip Shops . . . . .	27
" " Other Food Shops . . . . .	203
" " Restaurants, Canteens . . . . .	50
" " Common Lodging Houses and Houses Let in Lodgings . . . . .	12
" Visits paid to Market . . . . .	51
" " Houses under the Housing and Public Health Acts . . . . .	151
" " to Infectious Disease . . . . .	69
" of Inspections as to Drainage . . . . .	52
" " River Pollution . . . . .	11
" " Yards and Passages . . . . .	2
" " Dangerous Places . . . . .	4
" " Dirty Houses . . . . .	7
" " Pig Sties, Stables etc. . . . .	9
" " Tips and Open Spaces . . . . .	18
" " Rodent Control . . . . .	248
" " Floors and Walls . . . . .	2
" " Water Supply . . . . .	18
" " Water Closets . . . . .	143
" " As to Dustbins . . . . .	470
" " Roofs and Eavesgutters . . . . .	17
" " Vermin . . . . .	1
" " Doors and Windows . . . . .	4
" " Caravans . . . . .	4
" " Shops Act . . . . .	447
" " Accumulations . . . . .	5
" " Miscellaneous . . . . .	20
" Re-inspections of Nuisances . . . . .	305
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Nuisances or defects discovered . . . . .	197
" " remedied . . . . .	164
Preliminary Notices . . . . .	130
Statutory Notices . . . . .	18



PARTICULARS OF NUISANCES AND DEFECTS  
REMEDIED IN COMPLIANCE WITH NOTICES.

By Owners.

Defective Roof, Eavesgutter, Downspout, etc.. .. .	36
Drains cleansed or repaired.. .. .	21
Lead Waste Pipes.Provided or repaired.. .. .	3
Water Closets Repaired.. .. .	8
Defective Ventilation .. .. .	-
Yards and Passages cleansed or repaired .. .. .	1
Outbuildings,etc. repaired. .. .. .	5
Defective Internal Walls or Ceilings .. .. .	9
Defective Fixtures and Sett Boilers. .. .. .	1
Defective Floors and Staircases repaired.. .. .	7
Defective Window Frames. .. .. .	11
Smokey Chimneys .. .. .	-
Pointing, etc., external walls .. .. .	6
Damp Internal Walls remedied.. .. .	6
Leakage of Gas .. .. .	-
Dirty Houses Cleansed .. .. .	1
Accumulation of Refuse.. .. .	4
Defective House Doors .. .. .	4
Chimney Stacks repaired. .. .. .	2
Burst Water Pipes Repaired. .. .. .	15
Dangerous Buildings and Walls. .. .. .	6
Storm Traps Fixed and Repaired .. .. .	-
Insufficient Water Supply.. .. .	-
Poultry Nuisance.. .. .	-
Factories Act 1937 - Sanitary Defects.. .. .	1
Defective Sinks .. .. .	-
Pig Sty Nuisances. .. .. .	-
Food & Drugs Act 1938 - Sec.13	
Washing Facilities.. .. .	6
Food Protection.. .. .	2
General Cleanliness. .. .. .	7
Constructional .. .. .	2
Ventilation .. .. .	-

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PREMISES AND OCCUPATIONS WHICH ARE CONTROLLED BY  
BYE-LAWS OR REGULATIONS. COMMON LODGING HOUSES, ETC.

There are 2 houses of this type, 1 is used as Weekly Lodgings, 1 as a Common Lodging House.

They have been frequently inspected and found to be in a fairly clean condition.



TABLE VII.

STATEMENT AS TO HOUSES IN THE DISTRICT AND  
THEIR SANITARY CONDITION.

	1952
No. of Houses and Farms .. .. .	4344
" Factories, Workshops, Lock-up Shops, Etc .. ..	263
" Houses without back-door. .. .. .	122
" Houses back-to-back .. .. .	53
" Pail Closets. .. .. .	113
" Water Closets .. .. .	4794
" Waste Water Closets .. .. .	216
" Open Ashpits. .. .. .	-
" Ashbins .. .. .	4475
" Privies (not Privy Middens). .. .. .	5
" Septic Tanks. .. .. .	6

TABLE VIII.

FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS.

There are 105 premises which come under this designation.

Bakers .. .. .	24
Boot, Shoe and Clog Repairers. .. .. .	6
Brickworks, .. .. .	1
Cotton Spinning (Working) .. .. .	20
Carbon Works .. .. .	1
Electric Lamp Works. .. .. .	2
Ironfounders etc. .. .. .	3
Joiners and Builders. .. .. .	8
Laundries. .. .. .	3
Machinists. .. .. .	6
Motor Repair Garages. .. .. .	5
Printers. .. .. .	3
Rope and Twine Works. .. .. .	2
Sand Mill .. .. .	1
Skip and Packing Case Makers. .. .. .	5
Stockinette Maker. .. .. .	1
Ladies and Gents Tailors .. .. .	3
Tinplate Workers & Welders. .. .. .	5
Vehicle Builders. .. .. .	1
Others. .. .. .	5

62 inspections were made during the year.

## FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 and 1948.

(1) Inspections for purposes of provisions as to Health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors).

Premises	Number on Register	Inspections	Number of	
			Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	9	7	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.....	96	55	5	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers premises).....	-	-	-	-
Total.....	105	62	5	-

(2) Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars	Number of cases in which Defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecut- ions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness ( S.1)	3	3	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2).....	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable Temperature (S.3).....	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6).....	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)	-	-	-	-	-
(a) Insufficient.....	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective.....	2	1	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for the sexes.....	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork).....	2	2	-	-	-
Total.....	7	6	-	-	-

TABLE IX.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949.

	Local Author- ity	Dwellin- g Houses	Agric- ultur- al	All oth- er (in- cluding) Business & Indus- trial	Total
I. Total number of properties in Local Authority's District	- 10	4119	39	439	4607
II. Number of properties inspected by the Local Authority during 1952 as a result of (a) of notification (b) otherwise	- 10	24 25	1 14	11 180	36 229
III. Number of properties (under II) found to be infested by rats (a) Major (b) Minor	1 -	- 12	1 -	2 4	4 16
IV. Number of properties (under II) found to be seriously infested by mice	-	3	-	1	4
V. Number of infested properties (under III and IV) treated by Local Authority	1	15	-	7	23
VI. Number of notices served under section 4:- (1) Treatment (2) Structural Works (i.e. Proofing).	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -
VII. Number of cases in which default action was taken by Local Authority following issue of notices under Section 4	-	-	-	-	-
VIII. Legal Proceedings	-	-	-	-	-
IX. Number of "block" control schemes carried out	NIL				



# HOUSING STATISTICS.

TABLE X.

## Number of New Houses Erected during the Year.

(a) Total (including numbers given separately under (b))	33
(i) By the Local Authority.....	16
(ii) By other Local Authorities.....	-
(iii) By other bodies and persons.....	17
(b) With State Assistance under the Housing Acts.....	
(i) By the Local Authority.....	16
(ii) By other bodies or persons.....	-

## 1. Inspection of Dwelling-Houses during the Year.

1. (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under the Public Health or Housing Acts).....	49
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(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	151
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2. (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932.....	8
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(b) Number of Inspections made for the purpose....	20
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3. Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.....	7
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4. Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-heading) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	42
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## II. Remedy of Defects without Service of Formal Notices.

Number of Defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers.....	31
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## III. Action under Statutory Powers.

### A. Proceedings under Section 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936.

1. Number of Dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs.....	-
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2. Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:-	
(a) By owners.....	-
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners..	-

B Proceedings under Public Health Acts.

1. Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.....	17
2. Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice:-	
(a) By owners.....	15
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners.	-
C. Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936.	
1. Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made.....	-
2. Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders.....	-
D. Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936.	
1. Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made.....	-
2. Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit.....	-
IV. Housing Act, 1936 - overcrowding.	
(a) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year.....	-
(ii) Number of families dwelling therein.....	-
(iii) Number of persons dwelling therein.....	-
(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year.....	-
(c) (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year.....	-
(ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases	-

No accurate data for above.

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MILK SUPPLY.

TABLE XI.

No. of Milk Distributors.....	35
No. of Licences to retail pasteurised milk.....	13
No. of licences to retail sterilised milk.....	43
No. of licences to retail tuberculin tested milk...	12
No. of licences to retail accredited milk.....	8



UNSOUND FOOD CONDEMNED, 1952.

TABLE XII.

Canned Meat.....	21 lbs.
" Luncheon Meat.....	69 lbs.
" Ham.....	43 lbs.
" Soup.....	17 lbs.
" Chicken.....	35 lbs.
" Jellied Veal.....	24 lbs.
" Vegetables.....	128 lbs.
" Fish.....	10 lbs.
" Milk.....	93 lbs.
" Fruit.....	280 lbs.
Pickles.....	4 lbs.
Meat.....	93 lbs.
Total.....	817 lbs.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938 - SAMPLES SUBMITTED  
FOR EXAMINATION, 1952.

TABLE XIII.

A total of 71 samples was obtained of these 41 were of milk and the 30 others comprised:-

1 Flour, Self-Raising	1 Butter
1 Coffee and Chicory	1 Rice
Essence Liquid	1 Blanc Mange Powder
2 Bicarbonate of Soda	1 Peas dried
3 Sugar	1 Cocoa
2 Pudding Mixture	1 Pork Sausage
Unsweetened	2 Currants
1 Lemon Cheese	2 Sultanas
1 Flour	3 Epsom Salts
1 Cooking Fat	1 Borax
1 Beef Sausage	2 Seidlitz Powders
1 Margarine	

All the samples were reported by the County Analyst to be genuine with the exception of the following:-

<u>Sample</u>	<u>Result of Analysis</u>	<u>Action Taken</u>
1 formal milk	Deficient 13.3 per cent fat	Vendor notified
1 formal milk	The freezing point indicated the presence of 3.5 per cent of extraneous water.	Same vendor. Farmer cautioned and farm visited.
1 formal milk	The freezing point indicated the presence of 3.5 per cent of extraneous water.	Further sample obtained.
1 pork sausage	Meat content 63.0 per cent. Deficient 3 per cent of the minimum percentage of meat	No action taken.
1 beef sausage	Contained 200 parts per million sulphite preservative (expressed as sulphur dioxide) without declaration).	Vendor cautioned.





